



# ***Facts About...***

## Recycling

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### **CARROLL COUNTY RECYCLING**

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#### **Waste Diversion Rate**

- ▶ For calendar year 2007, 28.33 % recycling rate + 3 % source reduction credit = 31.33 % waste diversion rate.

#### **Residential Program**

##### *Curbside*

- ▶ Countywide, single stream, curbside collection is by subscription and the County's program requires that licensed waste haulers provide recycling services to all of their customers. Recycling is voluntary.

##### *Drop-off*

- ▶ The Recycling Center, staffed by ARC of Maryland, Inc., is located at the Northern Landfill on Route 140 in Westminster. The hours of operation are Monday-Friday 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ▶ Acceptable recyclable items at the above locations are the same as curbside plus electronics, automobile batteries, used oil and antifreeze, scrap metal, white goods, textiles, vinyl siding, plastic bags, and kitchen grease/oil. The Recycling Center offers aluminum can reimbursement Mon – Fri from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. and Sat from 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.

##### *Processing/Marketing*

- ▶ The County has contracted with Recycle America Alliance to process and market single stream recyclables collected at curbside and drop-off sites. The County markets the newspaper, aluminum cans, car batteries, white goods, vinyl siding, and kitchen grease/oil collected at the Recycling Center.

##### *Municipalities*

- ▶ Seven of the eight incorporated towns provide curbside recycling service through a contracted hauler. Sykesville provides trash and recycling services for the residents within their municipality.

### *Yard Trimmings*

- ▶ Taneytown, Westminster, Hampstead, Sykesville and Union Bridge offer curbside yard debris service. Collected yard debris is taken to the Northern Landfill for processing.
- ▶ New Windsor – yard trim is collected curbside twice a month (Spring and Fall).
- ▶ Mt. Airy – yard trim service is limited to leaves and Christmas tree collection.
- ▶ Manchester has scheduled yard waste and tree limb collection. See municipal calendar.
- ▶ County residents who do not have a yard debris service may take their waste to the County landfills at no charge. All yard debris collected is mulched or composted and made available to County residents at no charge.

### *Other Materials*

- ▶ Waste oil and antifreeze is accepted at the following sites:
  - Hoodsmill Landfill, 7901 Kabik Ct., Sykesville
  - Northern Landfill, Route 140
  - Hampstead Town Maintenance Garage, 4031 Gill Avenue
  - Manchester Town Garage, 3351 Victory Street
  - Sykesville Public Works Garage, 7547 Main Street
  - Taneytown, Park Drive – **No antifreeze**
  - Westminster Public Works Facility, 105 Railroad Avenue – **No antifreeze**
- ▶ *Christmas trees, white goods, and car batteries* are accepted at both landfills.
- ▶ *The Northern Landfill Swap Shop (Waste Exchange Program)* is intended for items that can be reused such as *building materials, tools, furniture, appliances, clothes, toys, books, games*, etc. The site is available during landfill hours Monday-Friday from 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Saturday from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m.

### *Household Hazardous Waste*

- ▶ The County offers household hazardous waste events twice a year.
- ▶ The County Health Department has a permanent drop off for mercury. Call 410-857-5009 for details.

## **Public Buildings**

- ▶ Single stream recycling is collected from all county and school facilities.

## **Disposal**

- ▶ Tipping fee is \$76/ton as of July 1, 2008.

## **Financing/Budget**

- ▶ Program is financed through the tipping fees and revenues from sale of recyclables.

## **Ordinances**

- ▶ Licensed haulers are required to offer recycling to their customers.

## **Procurement**

- ▶ The County has a waste reduction, recycling, and a buy recycled policy.

